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TAGS: EAIR, UK

SUBJECT: US-UK CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS: LAKER SKYTRAIN

1. FYI - FREDDIE LAKER HAD WIDELY REPORTED PRESS  
CONFERENCE YESTERDAY REGARDING SKYTRAIN SERVICE. LAKER  
WAS SHARPLY CRITICAL OF US PERMIT. AS REPORTED BY  
DAILY TELEGRAPH THIS AM:

"MR. LAKER SAID AT GATWICK AIRPORT: 'IT IS  
PROBABLY THE MOST DISGRACEFUL DOCUMENT THAT HAS EVER  
BEEN PRODUCED BY ANY COUNTRY.'

"HE ADDED THAT THE MASS OF CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO  
THE PERMIT SYMBOLISED THE AMERICAN VIEW OF FREE ENTER-  
PRISE--'DON'T DO AS I DO, DO AS I SAY'.

"MR. LAKER SAID THE CONDITIONS WERE THE TOUGHEST  
IMPOSED ON ANY AIRLINE. THE WORST ONE WAS THAT HIS  
LICENSE COULD BE WITHDRAWN ON 15 DAYS' NOTICE IF THE  
BRITISH GOVERNMENT STOPPED ANY AMERICAN CARRIER FROM  
OPERATING A SIMILAR SERVICE."

2. HE SPECIFICALLY OBJECTED TO RIGHT US RESERVED TO  
OPERATE AN UNSPECIFIED TYPE OF LOW-COST SERVICE WITH  
UNSPECIFIED FREQUENCY, CAPACITY, AIRPORTS.

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